

# ARE FASHIONS FOR WOMEN BARBAROUS? 13TH ARTICLE OF A SERIES

## Again Man Is Blamed for the Styles, This Time by a Woman in Caustic Verse

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He Fashions the Fashions, Writes "Mrs. Elizabeth G.," Who Intimates That the Masculine Critic Is a Bit of a Coward and Is Overdoing the Habit of Charging the Ladies With Cruelty.

"Women Dress Not Only Beautifully but Sensibly," Says "I. O. W.," and He Adds: "If There Is Any Urgent Need of Dress Reform It's on the Other Side of the Fence."

BY NIXOLA GREELEY-SMITH.

We read in yesterday's newspapers of a designer for a dry goods house whose talents commanded \$15,000 a year and who was driven to suicide by his inability to guess what women will wear next season. Here is a real victim of "barbarous" fashion.

And yet for one man driven to frenzy by the mutable mysteries of the mode there are hundreds of thousands who maintain themselves and their families as the result of fashion. And if any one of woman's many masculine critics could impose his will upon her costume and reduce it to the drab sameness of man's attire hundreds of factories would shut down, thousands of breadwinners would be deprived of a means of livelihood.

For what have all the great wars been fought, for what have the great wanderers penetrated jungle and ice fields? For fame? Yes, if you want to be sentimental. For money, if you prefer the facts. Beneath every so-called "holy" cause which has driven men to battle is the skillful hand of the financier. And at the end the generals get the glory, but the Morgans and the Rothschilds have the profits.

All wars are wars for gold—all quests are quests for gold. And when man gets the object of his desire, what is there for him to do with it except give it to woman, the symbol and neighbor of his triumph? Would Stanley have gone to Africa, would Cecil Rhodes have developed the diamond mines of Kimberley if fashion had not weighed woman with gold and fettered her with diamonds?

Columbus thought he was going to discover India, and interested Queen Isabella in the stories of the wealth he would bring back. He and all the other discoverers—Pizarro, Cortes, de Soto—were actuated and driven by the lust for gold and jewels. And for what was gold most sought, were jewels most demanded? For the adornment of women, for the sacrifice to barbarous fashion.

WOMAN CAN SMILE AND SMILE AND SMILE.

Enthroned over all the centuries biding the soldier fight, the wanderer endure, woman has smiled upon death on the battlefield or in the jungle.

She takes from the leopard his spots, from the tiger his stripes, from the elephant his ivory tusks, she may branch her hair or cut the leaves of the latest fashion journal. Nobody uses silver any more. "I must have a new ivory set for my dressing table," she exclaims, and some desperado of the jungle sounds his last trumpet that her wish may be granted.

Food and fire and love—this is the end of every man's desire. For this he fights, for this he has invaded and controlled every corner of earth. To obtain and hold these precious possessions he must have money. And when he has it in superfluity there is only one thing for him to do with it, and that is lay it at the feet of fashion. For fashion controls everything—art, literature, music—all the mediums of immortality. A few years ago all the millionaires were buying Bouguereau's pictures. Now no self-respecting collector would be caught with a Bouguereau in his cellar. Melancthon, too, is in disgrace. In fact, nearly all the men who could draw are in disgrace. In music, too, the old melodies are in hopeless eclipse. They survive only in the hurdy-gurdies. And literature, too, bows her head to the scepter.

Next year the "fashionable" Mr. Arnold Bennett permitted himself a sneer at Dickens, and every now and then some author of a best seller is heard to exclaim, "But who reads Shakespeare?" or, "Shakespeare was an awfully winded old bag and a rank sentimentalist!" All this is merely by way of adding emphasis to the declaration that fashion is the only absolute despot left alive, and that she counts both men and women among her votaries.

Here are the views of a man and a woman who defend their equality against the charge of "barbarism." WHEREIN A LADY READER DROPS INTO POETRY. Men, take care you are overdoing, charging with cruelty the girl you are wooing. Her charms, you claim, are false and distressing; Her dress is "barbaric"—she is cruel, unappealing. Pray, blame not her—it is all your own



EXPLORERS, ANCIENT AND MODERN, HAVE GONE TO THE END OF THE EARTH FOR THE QUEEN OF FASHION

far for the sprinkling of the few over-dressed freaks who are running about? Taken in their entirety, women dress not only beautifully but also sensibly, and if there is any urgent need of dress reform, both as to looks and comfort, it is on the masculine side of the fence. Nine-tenths of masculine criticism of women (you can take my word for it) is evoked by the available charm and fascination of feminine refinement's charm which is deplorably lacking in masculine dress.

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They were designed by a dressmaker who is now so busy making dresses that he cannot devote any time to waists.

The Wanamaker store took

the remaining stock and therefore \$1.50 for any of these three grades.

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LARGE JEWELRY PURCHASE on sale tomorrow at 50c an article—a mere fraction of their worth.

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A few pieces in the collection are worth 85c. The majority we regularly sell for \$1, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2, \$2.25, \$2.50 and \$3.

Women's Jewelry will fill one table with dainty slipper-pins, bar - pins, chatelaine - pins, brooches and lavallieres. Many of the pins sparkle with French rhinestones.

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Main Aisle, Main floor, New Stewart Building.

Mothers of Babies might easily use the following for a shopping list, for everything mentioned will be needed by baby this winter:

Soft ainsook bishop slips with "baby" lace on wrist and throat, 50c. Flannel-pinning blankets and petticoats, 50c. Dainty flannellette kimonos, white and colored and prettily hemstitched and embroidered, 50c.

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